SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 969 By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to commend Jessica Crownover for exemplary service to the State during the 2004 Session of the 103rd General Assembly.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Crownover is one such outstanding individual who has distinguished herself this year through her work for the office of Senator Jerry Cooper; Ms. Crownover's service has resulted in innumerable benefits for Senator Cooper, the Senate Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture Committee, and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Ms. Crownover has excelled in a wide range of endeavors, earning much respect and admiration for her talent, determination, and hard work; and

WHEREAS, she graduated Magna Cum Laude from Auburn University Montgomery in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Trade in Hispanic Studies with a dual minor in Russian and Chinese; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Crownover then earned a Master of Business Administration degree with Magna Cum Laude honors from the Fogelman College of Business Education at the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, a remarkably talented young lady, she is sufficiently conversant in Spanish to conduct business in the language and also maintains basic proficiency in Chinese, Russian, and Hebrew; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Crownover was a highly active and invaluable member of her collegiate community; a leader among her peers, she was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Leadership Society and served as President of Auburn University Montgomery's American

Advertising Federation Student Chapter, Supreme Court Justice of AUM's Student Government Association, and Advertising and Business Manager for the student newspaper, *AUMnibus*; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her scholastic endeavors, she also earned distinction in the professional arena while displaying her entrepreneurial spirit in creating and marketing the highly successful Minasha line of jewelry, as well as by proving her great worth during tenures with Paradigm Productions, the Memphis Regional Chamber, the Robert Wang Center at the University of Memphis, and United Parcel Service; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Crownover has earned numerous honors in recognition of her personal, professional, and academic excellence, including membership in Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, and recognition in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges;* she also placed 4th in the District in the 2000 National Student Advertising Competition; and

WHEREAS, eager to further her education in legislative matters, Ms. Crownover brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the skills that she honed while serving as a Legislative Assistant with the Alabama State Senate in 2001 have proven invaluable to the work of Senator Cooper's office; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2004 legislative session, Ms. Crownover has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative employee; and

WHEREAS, she has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum and is richly deserving of the approbation of this Legislative Body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and thank Jessica Crownover for her outstanding service to Senator Jerry Cooper, the Senate Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture Committee, and this General Assembly, salute her personal and professional excellence, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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